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# BACK TO NATURE.

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combine should not have a pound except at the planters' price.

A gang of speculators got togethe od held it at an artificial price.

And so did one unnatural situation ergy.

lelegated to the Interstate Commerce with the same authority, and rates gard to existing and changing conditions and contrary to the law of de-

the needs of government, and then de-

Last of all, we maintain a high protective tariff system, which chokes off natural competition and robs one class to help another, with the result that trade is artificially stimulated, prices

The readers of the Washington Post have doubtless all noticed how greatly that paper has improved since it instituted the closed shop-talk and confined itself exclusively to Paragraphers' Union labor. finance. artificially inflated, and speculation encouraged. And by and by the inflation
is extended to the bursting point and
there is an explosion and a collapse.

It would be cruel to express regret
that the Titan combat between Boni
and de Sagan did not end with two
fathities, but probably every reader
understands what we mean.

How long will we continue these suicidal policies? How long will we be rebellious to law? Back to nature should be the campaign ery of 1908.

# GOLD AND SILVER IN 1907.

According to the report of the Comptroller of the Currency at the close of business December 31, 1907, the total outstanding circulation was \$898,120.-\$25 which is an increase for the year of \$93,968,426 and an increase for the month of \$33,912,699.

However, the altitude of Denver is probably to greater than that of a few soaring ambitions which will be duly on hand there next summer. month of \$33,912,699.

It further shown by the Director of the Mint that there has been a gain of the Mint that there has been a gain clubhouse wears its latchstring outin the stock of gold and silver coin in side. Mosey up and pull. the United States since June 30, 1907 of \$118,686,508 as follows: Gold coin. \$109,507,532; silver coin, \$9,173,776. The total stock of gold and silver coin in the United States on January 1, 190°, Was \$2,146,156,979.

But while our stock of gold coin has increased there was a falling off in the production of gold in the United States during 1907 of \$4,758,401, where-Eintes during 1907 of 14.753.401, where- a Chattanooga Star headline. 'Special-as the production of silver was in- by William Loeb, Jr. creased by over 1,000,000 fine ounces. The total production of gold amounted In value to \$89,620,399 against \$37,571,-589 in silver, Colorado leading in the mold industry, with a production of \$20,888,833. Virginia's contribution was \$14,034 in gold and \$328 in stiver. The commercial value of silver averaged

We cents an ounce, Notwithstanding the "demonstization steady increase in the production of now.

with slight variations. In 1873 the production was 27,630,400 fine ounces, which was high-water mark. The pro-

gave a stimulus to the industry, and increased the product to 58,834,800

abroad, but he mentions three or four points in which he things we may profquote:

a form of prison structure with more abundant cell-room than is furnished

rier to our own in providing a complete

furnished with exercise yards, and prisoners are permitted and required to number of American jalls there is no

liberty and kept where they can do no harm. But God Almighty never intended that any living man or woman

mittee on Legislation of the Reform League of Baltimore, creating a public in Disguise. League of Baitimore, creating a public utilities commission. The bill pro-vides for the creation of a new com-vides for the creation of a new com-descript of the duties disguised as a wolf."—Philadelphia inon the Public Utility Commission of "Inta speech," said the vociferous state wan, "comes from the bottom of my hear "Indeed!" rejoined the critical friend, sounds to me as if it came entirely from the top of the larmyx."—Washington Star

The Jacksonville Times-Union is informed that its perfect paragraphic
fealty has never once been questioned
in these parts. In token, on the contrary, of our sublime confidence in the in these parts. In token, on the contrary, of our sublime confidence in the Times-Union's loyalty we herewith appoint it to head a posse, consisting also of the Atlanta Georgan, the late of the Atlanta Georgan, the diampolis Nows.

The Charleston News and Courier starphers' taboe of range of positi ti in the banks to prevent paulc.
But panics come nevertheless, because
we are defying the natural laws of not sure that we object to it at all.

The New York Mail's contention that London Punch is "one of the most in-teresting publications issued" is unan-swerable to members of the union who never saw a copy.

Some of us are slowly but irresis-tibly being forced to the conclusion that the widow editor of the Houston Post is the only man in Texas.

Backsliders and non-members are advised that the Paragraphers' Union

Mr. Bryan made \$50,000 from his lectures in 1907. The figure does not include those to the Democratic party, which were all gratis.

There emerges a hare possibility that in the tall figure of John A. John-son the D'ngley tariff has met its match at last.

"All Watch Governor Hughes," says

"Celery helps to ward off rheuma tism," notes the Pittsburg Dispatch So does salary,

All having agreed that this is a leap-year, our favorite stocks are herewith bidden to leap. Probably at least as many people are going to have a happy New Year as deserve it.

of silver" in 1873, there has been a not eat potatoes. But very few care

# Rhymes for To-Day

THE FRENCH DUEL, 1908 MODEL. WIEN Boni saw de Sagan there,
his noble blood did boli
So hotly I can't write it on this

And as for bold de Sagan why, the passing sons of [61] Stood startled at that flerce Berserker rage.

Then Boni hissed: "Tol cochon!" and de Sagan he hissed: "Hist!" And so began the Battle of the Rash: And Boni passed de Sagan quite a hot one on the wrist,
d Sagan plucked a wisp from
B's mustache,

They clinched, and in the mix-up Boni pinched so hard, in truth, De Sagan barely knew where he

'as at, a swift manocuvre he kicked ut for Boni's tooth---(The which is etiquette in French

Dut Boni deftly dodged him, and next barked de Sagan's shim, And sought a strangle-holt upon his hair; And Sagan screamed, while flourishing his diamond necktie-pin; "No hittin' in the face—it isn't fair!"

But Boni cried: "Quol, comment! Savoir

faire! Non! Comment! Savoir faire! Non! Comme II faut!"
And then the fight grew fast and fierce and rough:
For Sagan scratched E's clbow and then trod upon his too,
While Boul yelled and rumpled Sagan's cuff. II, S. II.

# MERELY JOKING.

Later Particulars.

Alexander the Great was explaining to the reporters how the story originated that he had wept because there were no more worlds for the tribute of tribute of the tribute of t

arm. But Good Aimsin, nor woman hould be deprived of sunlight and ure air.

A bill has been drafted by the Combuttes on Legislation of the Reform

Carolina and capture the outlawed Charleston News and Courier, dead or alive, for the honor of the union and the terrification of descrets,

John Hollenburg, of Lorain, Ohio, could not commit suicide because he could not find a suitable tree. What would not poor Hollenburg have given to congratuite himself that he is dead and out of danger of having a members do not commit suicide because he could not poor Hollenburg have given the congratuation of the congratuation

# Voice of the People.

The Times-Dispatch will print signed letters on all questions which relate to the public welfare. Such articles should not exceed in length 150 words, and should be signed with the full name of the writer, and should bear his or her address. The name of the writer will be with-held if desired.

Prof. Dabney Replies to Mr. Setzler and the Hou. Rosewell Page.

Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—In your issue of yesterday is a letter from Mr. E. B. Setzler, of Nowberry, S. C., in which he disputes the accuracy of my statement in the University Alumni Bulletin, that Harvard, yield and Johns Hopkins no longer require an ancient language for the B. A. degree,

Before replying to this charge, let

Yale and Johns Hopkins no longer an ancient language for the B. A. degree.

Before replying to this charge, let is see who Mr. Securer is and what his qualifications are for disputing the accuracy of other people.

Mr. Setzler was appointed by the university last session to take the place of Adjunct Professor Faultner during his absence in Germany. When the faculty had overwhelmally voted against compulsory Latin in spite of Mr. Setzler's advocacy of it in numerical against compulsory Latin in spite of Mr. Setzler's advocacy of it in numerical against compulsory Latin in spite of Mr. Setzler's advocacy of it in numerical against to the editor of the Charlottesville Progress as to the size of the majority and the way that certain professors had voted. These state-increase in the proceeded in several editorials in that paper; but when their spross inaccurracy was pointed out, the second State in the Union in the man-

The Seaboard Receivership.

The first cold potato that the year 1908 gives to the business world is the Scaboard receivership. The pessimist, who feels a miserable joy in gloomy apprehensions, has an opportunity to say that the first fruit has been harvested of a crop that is to be abundant in volume. Yet a little examination of the facts as to the Seaboard tends to remove these fears. The failure is the result of special conditions rather than of general causes. The trouble with the railroad is not that it has carried too little freight, but, as a result of successive reorganizations, has carried

Its earnings.
Counting in the preferred and common stocks outstanding to the amount of \$62,000,000, the total capitalization is nearly \$50,000 per mile, against \$28,-403 for the Atlantic Coast Line, \$39,834 for the Louisville and Nashville, and \$49,223 for the Southern Railway.
The gross earnings of the Seaboard for 1907 were approximately but \$5,800 per mile, against \$7,000 by the Atlantic

# Coast Line, \$10,000 by the Louisville and Nashvillo and \$7,500 by the Southern Railway. For the year ended June 30th last the Scabcard, although its gross earnings were nearly \$1,00,000 kirger than for the preceding year, had a deficit of \$155,301 after charges were paid. It was thus fairly headed for a receivership long before last fall's disturbance began. The Scaloard receivership merely recembasizes the old truth that there is a limit to the burden a railway company can stagger under. Willie the antiraliway spirit and the recent failing off in business precipitated the catastrophe, the seeds of trouble were planted long ago—they showed themselves during years that were as prosperous as any railway manager has a right to expect.—New York Globe.

its flight to other lands. The rathroads are octopuses, and they must go.

Gentlemen of North Carolina, we congratulate you. By all means keep up the good work; you may land another railroad shortly. It is a good time now; an excellent time. It will restore public credit, public faith, and money to the people who need these things we wish you well.—Washington Post.

ities, are still cecloling, there, comes this disturbing reminder that tested of the year that is ended has not by any means been fully told.

A receivership for the Seaboard Alr Alreas are receivership for the Seaboard Alreas are received the search and the continuent of the Seaboard Alreas are received the search and the seaboard are receivership for the Seaboard Alreas are receivership for the Seaboard Alreas are received to the seaboard Alreas are received to the seaboard Alreas are received to the people of the Seaboard Alreas are received to the people of the Seaboard Alreas are received to the people of the Seaboard Alreas are received to the people of the Seaboard Alreas are received and participated in by alreas are received and participa

So well are the regulars and others keep is their New Year resolutions that yester arrange Justice Crutchfield had but six

# Eagles Have Feast.

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Lixie Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles bold a jubilee at its home on Broad Street Thursday night. After refreshments had been served the following officers for the new year were installed: Inst Worthy President, William Reinheimer; Worthy President, J. U. Bradley, Chaplain, Joseph C. Baker; Secretary, Gus Bernfer; Treasurer, Thomus A. Reddin; Inside Guard, M. Finks Outside Guard, James Harris; Trustees, Hugh Owell, Albert Meyer, Joseph Duffy; Physicians, Drs. L. W. Staton and J. P. Rey

Whistey Killed Him.

James Satterwhite a middle-aged uegro, fell dead yesterday merning in an alley on Glimer Street between Marshall and Broad Streets. He had been discharged from the Memorial Hospital on Christmas Eve night, and it is believed that he had been on a continual spree since. Coroner Taylor attributed death to excessive drinking.

Pranskied from the original text into English, by Dr. MICHAEL, L. RODKIN-SON. THE BABYLONIAN TALMUD

# SUNDAY SERVICES IN CITY CHURCHES

With the administration of the union communion service at the Church of the Covenant, which will be participated in by all the Presbyterians of the city, the annual week of prayer in this denomination will be inaugurated. The Rev. Dr. G. B. Strickler, of the Union Theological Seminary, will preach the sermon at S. o'clock in the evening, and the Rev. Drs. Jere Will preach the sermon at S. o'clock in the evening, and the Rev. Drs. Jere Will preach the sermon at S. o'clock in the evening, and the Rev. Drs. Jere Will preach the sermon at S. o'clock in the evening, and the Rev. Drs. Jere Willerspoon and Russell Ceell, assisted by the elders of the church, will celebrate the communion. The music will be rendered by the choir of the Grace brack the communion. The music will be rendered by the choir of the Grace brack the Council.

as usual. There will be a union service of Baptists, Presbyterians and Disci-ples in the avening. The Rev. Tilden Scherer, of the Fairmount Presbyterian Church, will conduct the services.

There will be services at the Pirst Unitarian Church, corner Floyd Ave-nue and Harrison Street, Sunday morn-ing at 11 o'clock. The subject will be "Building Better and Worse Than We Know." In the Immanuel Baptist Church the

In the Immanuel Esplist Church the nostor, the Roy. E. W. Stone, will preach at both services. Morning subject, "Another Chance"; evening, "Counsels As to Our Friends," The pastor, the Rev. H. J. Farman, will preach to-morrow at the Seventh Day Adventist Church morning and night. His 8 o'clock subject will be.

the United States a Subject of Prophecy?" Regular services will be held to-

morrow at 11 o'clock in First Church of Christ, Scientist, Park Avenue and Meadow Street, Subject, "God." The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Christian Sunday-School Associa-tion will be held with the Cowardin Avenue Sunday-school, Manchester, to-morrow afternoon at 3:39 o'clock. The Cowardin Avenue school has prepared at interesting program for the occa-

At Venable Street Baptist Church, the paster, the Rev. Charles E. Stuart, will preach at 11 A. M. and S P. M. At the evening service his subject will be "The Man Who Was Not Afraid To Be Man Who Was Not Afraid To Be Afraid," a special sermon to the men

Afraid," a special of Church Hill. The Rev. M. S. Colonna, the pastor, will preach at Park Place Church at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.

The services at St. James Mathodist Church will be in keeping with the spirit of the new year. The Rev. E. T. Dadmun, pastor, will preach at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. The sermons and music will be appropriate to the season, and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered after the moving sermon.

At the Grace Street Bactist Church

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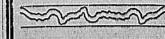
# "In Mary's Reign"

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# "Eripuit Coelo Fulmen Sceptrumque Tyrannis." (He snatched the thunderbolt from Heaven and the sceptre from tyrants.) --- Applied to Benjamin Franklin in France in 1778 by Turgot.

Famous Words of Famous Men.



ing exposition of the 'classical scholarship of the late Charles Sumner is his "mono graph from an old note book" which was published in the Atlantic Monthly in November, 1868, and which elaborately

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sets forth the origin of this French characterization of Benjamin Franklin.

gin of this French characterization of Benjamin Franklin.

The philosopher-statesman from America had, already signed at Philadelphia the Declaration of Independence for his country when, near the close of 1776, he appeared in Paris to obtain French recognition for the new republic, at whose birth he had assisted. On February 6, 1778, the diplomatic work of Franklin was crowned with the signing or the two treatles of alliance and commerce by which France acknowledged the independence of the United States and pledged its belligerent support.

According to Mr. Sumner, the origin of the noted Lathr verse was long a matter of much dispute among contemporary scholars and savants. Lord Brougham, in a speech in the House of Commons in 1838, attributed the lines to Clandina Other acknowledged authorities in modern literature have asserted the Claim of the move arcient Manlius, and the French autent Manlius, and the French autentical of the move and cleint Manlius, and the French autentical contents and the French autentical

thors D'Alembert and Condorcet have had their partisans. have had their partisans.

But Mr. Summer, with much substantial evidence for his assertion, said the writer of the verse was M. Anne Robert Jacques Turgot (1727-1781), statesman and economist, who was comptroller-general of finances in 1771-5, with whom Franklin early became acquainted in his Parislan career, and the two men were drawn together by their mutual interest in scientific subjects.

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first writer of note to have made a record of the event.

"A very beautiful Latin verse," says the baron, "has been made for the portrait of Dr. Franklin, "Erlpuit coele fulmen sceptrumque tyramis."

"It is a happy imitation of a verse of the anti-lacreturs: Erlpuitque Joyl fulmen, Phoeboque sagittas." (He snatched the thunderbott from Jove and the srows from Apollo.)

From that time on, or as long as Franklin remained in France, his portraits and metallions, which floaded the shops of paris and the other cities of France in much the same way as did those of f Napoteon in the after days usually bare the famous Inscription. The verse are also engraven and base of the Franklin sire, which stands in the vard of the Jostan City Hell.

scientific subjects.

The exact date of the first appearance of these wonderful lines, which excited so much discussion over their authorship, as well as arousing, at the same time, a wide-spread feeling in the kingdom in behalf of the American republic, is unknown. Baron Grimm, in his "Correspondence," in a letter dated April, 1778, seems to have been the first writer of note to have made a record of the event.

"A very beautiful fath, werse,"

ustice Crutchfield Has So Few Cases That He Becomes Nervous About His Job.

ing their New Year resolutions that yesternorming fusites Crutchfield had but six
excess to dispose of, and he became slightly
nervous as to his Job. The police are smiling with satisfaction.

Walter Sydnor (colored) was called to the
har on the charge of assaulting and beating
Fiorence Snow, and was dismissed.

Willie Bennett, arrested by Detective-Sergeent Willishire because he aroused suppltion by pawning a number of articles of
waring apparel, was charged in the court
with being a desorter. His case was continLed. Tindall (colored) was charged with
being a fuglitie from justice from New Kent
county, where he is wanted for food dustasatell. His case was continatellity from fusition from fusion that
county, where he is wanted for food dustasatell. His case was contintion that Detective McMuchon may have
past record my which to look up the negro's
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